

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

September 2, 2010

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Mayor Donald Kasprzak, Councilors Tim Carpenter (W1), Michael Kelly (W2), George Rabideau (W3), Jim Calnon (W4), Amy Valentine (W5), Chris Jackson (W6)

Absent: None

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on August 26, 2010 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending September 1, 2010 in the amount of \$ 264,527.62 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Calnon
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of August 26 – September 1, 2010
- Report from the Building Inspector's Office from April 6 – August 30, 2010
- Report from the Parking Violations Bureau for July 2010

RESOLVED: That the reports as read are hereby ordered, received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

Councilor Jackson noted that the parking violations revenue has doubled from the same time last

year.

4. CORRESPONDENCE & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

5. AUDIT OF CLAIMS:

RESOLVED: That the bills approved by the Auditing Committee of the Common Council in the amount of \$ 548,315.16 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk (where required) are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Calnon
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL: None

7. OTHER ITEMS:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to establish capital project (H7020.16), 2010 Penfield/South Platt Park Improvements Project, in order to provide for rehabilitation of athletic fields and park facilities.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Calnon
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the North Country Center for Independence to hold an ADA Celebration with the candidates event on October 2, 2010 from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm in Trinity Park.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)
ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves an economic development loan to DeLish by Irises for a new business to be located at 24 City Hall Place.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the residents of Grace Avenue to block Grace Avenue at the Cornelia and Ash Street entrances on Saturday, September 18, 2010 between the hours of 11 am and 6 pm to hold a block party on the south end of Grace Avenue.

By Councilor Calnon; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Calnon, Valentine and Jackson voted in the affirmative. Councilor Rabideau voted in the negative.)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Kathy Leavine to attend the “Ambulance Billing, Coding & Compliance Fall Conference” from October 19 – 22, 2010 in Hershey, PA. The total cost of the trip should not exceed \$1,536.00.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Rabideau

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves one Police Officer to attend the “Law Enforcement Training Directors Fall Conference” from September 22 – 24, 2010 in Saratoga Springs, NY. The cost will not exceed \$410 and will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture Fund (Treasury Funds).

By Councilor Calnon; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

1. Request from Chris Dumont of The Green Room to host an outside music festival from 5 pm until 9 pm closing Upper Bridge Street on Saturday, September 25, 2010. (Rescheduled from August 28th)
2. Request from Police Chief Desmond Racicot for one Police Officer to attend the “National District Attorneys Drug Seminar and conference” from September 11 – 16, 2010 in Las Vegas, NV. There will be no cost to the City as the DEA will pay all expenses related to this training.
3. Request from Richard Perry Building Inspector for himself and Claude Bouchard Municipal Code Inspector to attend the “New York State Building Code Officials Conference” from October 18-20, 2010 in Albany, NY. This conference provides mandatory training hours to retain Code Enforcement Certification, the cost not to exceed \$1,036.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Jackson said that yesterday the Campus/City Coalition had its first meeting. He wanted to mention upcoming events: September 12th at 3pm “Knock and Talk” go door to door talk to students as well as full time residents, September 15th from 5-7 pm “Meet your Neighbor” at 4 locations (169 Cornelia St, 64 Couch, 48 Broad Street and 122 Court St) and September 21st at 7pm “Welcome to the Community – Freshman experience forum. He appealed to the Councilors to attend if they are available. He said he recently spoke to a 40+ year resident of the Center City and they said last year was the best year they can remember in along time.

Councilor Valentine asked how was our first weekend with the students back in town in comparison in the past.

Mayor Kasprzak stated they had a couple incidents in the Center City that he and **Councilor Jackson** were involved in. There were approximately 9 arrests and it has been worst in the past. They are concerned about this weekend and next weekend as history shows.

Councilor Valentine asked about the trash.

Mayor Kasprzak asked **Superintendent of Public Works Mike Brodi** answer that question. Everything went well and he said they didn’t have any complaints.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Valentine
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING ADJOURNED: 5:42 pm